

## Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

## -Lee Holloway -

## Chairman of the Board

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## COUNTY EXECUTIVE PARTICIPATES IN FALSE ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN

Scott Walker to attend pro-taxpayer rally just days after proposing an \$80 million spending increase

**Milwaukee, WI** – Milwaukee County Board Chairman Lee Holloway issued the following statement regarding the distribution of false information about the 2010 Milwaukee County budget:

"Please let the record reflect that County Executive Scott Walker plans to attend a political rally just days after proposing an \$80 million spending increase. A small group of citizens, claiming to support taxpayers, is behind an effort to spread false information via radio, print and automated telephone messages about the 2010 Milwaukee County Budget. Despite what some of the ads say, Scott Walker is not cutting spending. In fact, Walker's 2010 budget proposal increases spending by \$80 million in 2010, a more than 6% increase from 2009.

"In reality, these messages are not about the County budget at all. This campaign is intended to prop up Scott Walker's race for Governor. Unfortunately, the residents of Milwaukee County are being pulled into this game of political rhetoric. In remarks to local media, Scott Walker said his campaign had no role in the false advertising. But that doesn't mean he is not personally or politically involved in these efforts. I am calling on Scott Walker to do the right thing. It's time for him to stand up and oppose this false advertising. Instead, he has apparently chosen to give this group credibility by choosing to appear at an upcoming rally.

"It is inappropriate and disappointing that the County Executive would engage in this type of activity, considering that Milwaukee County is in the midst of an especially difficult budget process, which could lead to a number of County residents losing access to important programs, services and jobs. These games of politics will make it even more difficult for the County Executive to work with members of the County Board to solve the major challenges we face."